

BILL NO. 93-2

COUNTY COUNCIL

AS AMENDED

OF

HARFORD COUNTY, MARYLAND

BILL NO. 93-2 (as amended)

Introduced by Council President Wilson at the request of the County Executive

Legislative Day No. 93-4 Date February 2, 1993

AN ACT to add new Article II, Agricultural Land Preservation Program to Chapter 60, Agriculture, of the Harford County Code, as amended; to provide for the establishment of the Preservation Program as part of the County Code, and to further provide that a copy of said Program, along with all appendices, is attached to this Act and made a part hereof as though it were fully stated herein.

By the Council, February 2, 1993

Introduced, read first time, ordered posted and public hearing scheduled

on: March 2, 1993

at: 7:00 P.M.

By Order: Doris Paulsen, Secretary

PUBLIC HEARING

Having been posted and notice of time and place of hearing and title of Bill having been published according to the Charter, a public hearing was held on March 2, 1993

and concluded on, March 2, 1993

Doris Paulsen, Secretary

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law. Underlining indicates language added to Bill by amendment. Language lined through indicates matter stricken out of Bill by amendment.

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1 **WHEREAS**, The County Executive and the County Council have
2 determined that it is in the best interests of the County and its
3 citizens to establish an Agricultural Land Preservation Program,
4 including but not limited to local purchase of development rights
5 (hereinafter called "PDR") program; and

6 **WHEREAS**, As a method to finance the program and purchase the
7 development rights, the County, in November, 1992, enacted a
8 Charter amendment, Bill No. 92-16, to § 524 of the County Charter,
9 allowing the County to enter into installment contracts to purchase
10 easement for agricultural land preservation purposes (a copy of
11 which is attached hereto) and received authorization from the State
12 of Maryland to impose a local transfer tax and utilize a portion of
13 the revenue collected to fund the purchase of the easement (see
14 Chapter 423 of the Acts of the State of Maryland, ~~a copy of which~~
15 ~~is attached hereto~~); and

16 **WHEREAS**, The Department of Planning and Zoning, with the
17 support of the County Executive, has prepared the attached
18 Preservation Program for adoption by the County Council.

19 **NOW THEREFORE,**

20 Section 1. Be It Enacted By The County Council of Harford
21 County, Maryland that new Article II, Agricultural Land
22 Preservation Program be added to Chapter 60, Agriculture, of the
23 Harford County Code, as amended; all to read as follows:

24 Chapter 60 Agriculture.

25 Article II AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM.

26 § 60-9. ADOPTION, LEGAL STATUS.

27 THE HARFORD COUNTY 1993 AGRICULTURAL LAND PRESERVATION PROGRAM
28 DATED APRIL 6, 1993 ALONG WITH ALL ITS APPENDICES IS INCORPORATED
29 HEREIN BY REFERENCE AS PART OF THE CHAPTER AS THOUGH FULLY STATED
30 HEREIN.

31 Section 2. And Be It Further Enacted that if any provision of
32 this Act or the Program, or the application of this Act or the

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1 Program to any person or circumstance is held invalid in a court of
2 competent jurisdiction, the invalidity does not affect any
3 provision of this Act or the Program which can be given effect
4 without the invalid provision or application, and for this purpose
5 the provisions of this Act and the Program are declared severable.
6 Section 3. And Be It Further Enacted that this Act shall take
7 effect sixty (60) days from the date it becomes law.

EFFECTIVE: June 21, 1993

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HARFORD COUNTY BILL NO. 93-2 as amended(Brief Title) Ag Land Preservation Program

is herewith submitted to the County Council of Harford County for enrollment as being the text as finally passed.

CERTIFIED TRUE AND CORRECT

ENROLLED

Doris Poulsen
Secretary of the Council

[Signature]
President of the Council

Date April 6, 1993Date April 6, 1993

BY THE COUNCIL

Read the third time.

Passed: LSD 93-10, April 6, 1993

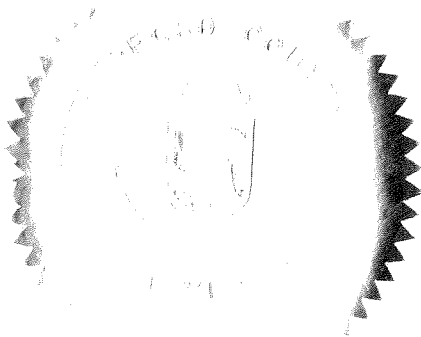
Failed of Passage: _____

By Order

Doris Poulsen, Secretary

Sealed with the County Seal and presented to the County Executive for approval this 8th day of April, 1993 at 12:00 p. m.

Doris Poulsen, Secretary



BY THE EXECUTIVE

Eileen M. Redmann
COUNTY EXECUTIVE

APPROVED: Date April 20, 1993

BY THE COUNCIL

This Bill (No. 93-2, as amended), having been approved by the Executive and returned to the Council, becomes law on April 20, 1993.

Doris Poulsen, Secretary

EFFECTIVE DATE: June 21, 1993